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MaineCare Expansion – Frequently Asked Questions

ELIGIBILTY APPLICATION PROCESS AND COVERAGE

Eligibility

- Q. What is the income guideline for MaineCare expansion?
- A. Individuals with incomes up to 138% of the Federal Policy Level (FPL), which is equal to or less than \$1,436 per month for a single person or \$2,453 for a household of three.
- Q. How can I get MaineCare coverage through expansion?
- A. If you are a Maine resident between the ages of 19 and 64 and your household makes less than 138% of the FPL, then you may be eligible.
- Q. Am I eligible for MaineCare expansion if I am also Medicare eligible or enrolled?
- A. No.
- Q. Is there an asset limit for eligibility?
- A. No.
- Q: Can I get coverage under the new adult group if I have health insurance through the marketplace?
- A: Yes, you may be eligible for coverage. You can apply with the Department as described above. If you are found eligible, you will no longer be eligible for subsidies through the marketplace, and you may want to cancel your coverage once you have received a final eligibility decision from the Department.

Application Process and Coverage

- Q. What is the best way to apply for MaineCare?
- A. You can download and print an application from the <u>Office for Family Independence's</u> website, and can submit the printed applications through the mail, e-mail, or fax. You can find this information on the first page of the application. You can also visit <u>My Maine Connection</u> to apply online.
- Q. What information and/or paperwork do I need to provide when I am applying?
- A. Please include proof of any of the following that applies to you:

- Earned income (for example: last 4 pay stubs, tax return or monthly business records if self-employed)
- Unearned income (for example: proof of unemployment benefits, investment income, insurance payments)

Q. How will I know if my application has been approved?

A. The Department of Health and Human Services will mail you a notice of decision as soon as your eligibility has been determined.

Q. Am I covered on MaineCare now?

A. If you have applied for MaineCare coverage and have not received a letter from the Department about your coverage status, then you have not been approved yet.

Q. How quickly are applications processed?

A. We generally process applications in the order that they are received, and will get to yours as quickly as possible.

Q. When will the applications that were submitted after July 2, 2018 but before January 2, 2019 be processed?

A. We are working as quickly as possible to process applications. We will send you a notice of decision in the mail when we have determined eligibility and enroll you directly in MaineCare coverage if you now qualify.

These FAQs will be updated often.